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16 June 1987

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

VIA: Director of Personnel

FROM: Robert E. Fitzgerald  
Director of Equal Employment Opportunity

SUBJECT: Pre-July 4th Concert

1. Vocalist Wintley Phipps (bio attached) has been invited to perform in concert on 2 July 1987 between 11:30 and 12:45 hours. The program will take place on the quadrangle in front of the Headquarters Auditorium, and a sign language interpreter for the hearing impaired and special seating for the handicapped will be made available. The songs Mr. Phipps will sing will be patriotic, inspirational, and designed to uplift our people and make everyone "feel good." Mr. Phipps is a talented, stimulating performer who has appeared at Headquarters on several occasions in the past during Black History Month programs. He also has performed at President Reagan's National Prayer Breakfast, on the Oprah Winfrey TV Show, and at numerous other special events.

2. The Director of Central Intelligence, Judge William H. Webster, will open the program with comments and provide Mr. Phipps with a certificate of appreciation. We hope you or your Deputy can attend, and ask that you encourage the employees in your Directorate to come out for this program. We would really like to fill the quadrangle for this event. Seating outside will be limited, but the first few rows of the available seats will be set aside for senior officers.

3. In the event of rain, the program will be held inside the Auditorium and admission will be by ticket only. Information regarding special transportation to outlying areas and the purchase of "box lunches" will be disseminated soon in an employee bulletin.

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Robert E. Fitzgerald

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### **ABOUT THE ARTIST. . .**

Many roads can lead a Gospel singer to his calling, and **WINTLEY PHIPPS** has travelled an unusual path.

Born in Trinidad, West Indies, Wintley was raised in Montreal, Quebec. Although steeped in hymns and church music from his childhood, Wintley never came into contact with Black American Gospel until his college days in Alabama. It was there that he first began to develop his gift of writing Gospel music. After earning a Masters Degree in Divinity from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan, it became clear to Wintley that he would be devoting his life reaching out to mankind. His life-long love for music naturally evolved into a unique multi-cultural form of Gospel music he both writes and performs.

Wintley has performed before audiences across the United States, Europe, the Caribbean, and Africa. One of the highlights of his ministry to mankind was to accompany **Reverend Jesse Jackson** on his peace-seeking mission to several countries in **Southern Africa** in August 1986. Some of his appearances include the following: "GOSPEL AT THE SYMPHONY" with The National Symphony Orchestra, and The Edwin Hawkins Singers at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, DC; "IN CONCERT" with TRAMAIN HAWKINS at The Lincoln Center/The Avery Fisher-Hall in New York City; DR. ROBERT SCHULLER'S Crystal Cathedral in California; THE PTL CLUB in Charlotte, North Carolina; "A TRIBUTE TO MINNIE RIPPERTON" along with STEVIE WONDER on Soul Train; NEW GALLERY THEATRE in London, England; THE VATICAN where he met Pope John Paul, II in Rome, Italy; THE PALACE of the PRESIDENT of ITALY where he met President Fanfani in Rome, Italy; THE 1982 WORLD'S FAIR in Knoxville, Tennessee; THE 1984 DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION in San Francisco, California; "SATURDAY NIGHT LIVE" in New York; LOU RAWLS PARADE OF STARS TELETHON for the UNITED NEGRO COLLEGE FUND in Los Angeles, California; NATIONAL EASTER SEAL TELETHON in Los Angeles, California; DIANA ROSS' WEDDING CEREMONY in Geneva, Switzerland; THE BILLY GRAHAM CRUSADE in Washington, DC; PRESIDENT REAGAN'S NATIONAL PRAYER BREAKFAST-Washington Hilton in Washington, DC; and THE URBAN LEAGUE CONVENTION in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Phipps states:

**"I hope when people listen to my music, they sense a life that is committed. "**

Summing up Wintley's musical goals, he says:

**"The purpose of music is to glorify God; after all, He is the one who gives us the songs. "**

His favorite poem is:

Show me the way, not to fortune or fame.  
Not how to win laurels, and praise for my name.  
But show me the way to spread the great story,  
that thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory!

Helen Steiner Rice

Wintley currently lives in Columbia, Maryland along with his wife Linda and two sons Wintley, II and Winston. He is an ordained minister in the Seventh Day Adventist Church and presently pastors the Capitol Hill Seventh Day Adventist Church.

**"Music is a gift that can be used to reach people and touch hearts everywhere. "** The gifts with which Wintley Phipps has been blessed will surely touch hearts for years to come.